

Effective September 1, 2017.

**DESIGNATION OF A PORTION OF U.S. HIGHWAY 380 IN
YOUNG AND JACK COUNTIES AS THE HENRY H. KING
MEMORIAL HIGHWAY**

CHAPTER 114

H.B. No. 216

AN ACT

relating to the designation of a portion of U.S. Highway 380 in Young and Jack Counties as the Henry H. King Memorial Highway.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 225.123 to read as follows:

Sec. 225.123. HENRY H. KING MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) The portion of U.S. Highway 380 from the municipal limits of Graham in Young County east to the municipal limits of Bryson in Jack County is designated as the Henry H. King Memorial Highway.

(b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

(1) design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Henry H. King Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information; and

(2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on April 27, 2017: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 3 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 16, 2017: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved May 26, 2017.

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**A REPORT BY THE TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION
REGARDING THE TRANSITION FROM MILITARY SERVICE
TO EMPLOYMENT**

CHAPTER 115

H.B. No. 257

AN ACT

relating to a report by the Texas Workforce Commission regarding the transition from military service to employment.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 302, Labor Code, is amended by adding Section 302.020 to read as follows:

Sec. 302.020. REPORT ON TRANSITION FROM MILITARY SERVICE TO EMPLOYMENT. Not later than September 1 of each year, the commission, in consulta-

tion with the Texas Coordinating Council for Veterans Services, shall submit to the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and chairs of the legislative committees with appropriate jurisdiction a report that:

(1) identifies:

(A) the five most common military occupational specialties of servicemembers who are transitioning from military service to employment;

(B) the five occupations for which the military occupational specialties identified in Paragraph (A) best offer transferable skills that meet the needs of employers; and

(C) any industry-based certifications that align with the military occupational specialties identified in Paragraph (A); and

(2) includes any other data or other information identified by the commission in administering the College Credit for Heroes program under Section 302.0031 as useful for supporting the transition of servicemembers and veterans into the occupations identified under Subdivision (1)(B).

SECTION 2. Not later than September 1, 2018, the Texas Workforce Commission shall submit the initial report required by Section 302.020, Labor Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on April 12, 2017: Yeas 130, Nays 16, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 18, 2017: Yeas 29, Nays 1.

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ISSUANCE OF "BACK THE BLUE" SPECIALTY LICENSE PLATES

CHAPTER 116

H.B. No. 263

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of "Back the Blue" specialty license plates.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 504, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 504.668 to read as follows:

Sec. 504.668. BACK THE BLUE LICENSE PLATES. (a) The department shall issue specialty license plates that include a thin blue line and the words "Back the Blue."

(b) After deduction of the department's administrative costs, the remainder of the fee for issuance of the license plates shall be deposited to the credit of an account created by the comptroller in the manner provided by Section 504.6012(b). Money deposited to that account may be used only by the Employees Retirement System of Texas to provide financial assistance to survivors of peace officers under Chapter 615, Government Code.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on May 4, 2017: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 16, 2017: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

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